

## 2010 Summer Activities for Children With Special Needs



### **ADVENTURE AMPUTEE CAMP**

[www.adventureamputeecamp.org](http://www.adventureamputeecamp.org)

Where: Nantahala Outdoor Center, 13077 Highway 19 West, Bryson City, NC 28713, by Adventure Amputee Camp, 176 Saddleback Lane, Winchester, Va. 22602

For information 703.568.0064 or 404.785.5684

What: Formerly ACT Kids Camp, river rafting, swimming, storytelling, horseback riding, ropes course, bowling, waterskiing and much more!

Ages: 8-17 years

When: July 8-11, 2010

Cost: Camp is free, \$25 registration fee, \$ 50 registration fee for repeat campers

### **ALERT SENSORY CAMP**

Where: 1225 E. Weisgarber Rd. Suite 180 South Knoxville, TN 37909

Contact: (865) 584-5558

What: The Alert Program encourages children to learn how their sensory system works and determines their own needs for increased attention, alertness, or calming. Each child identifies his/her own individual strategies as part of the group activities and learns to apply these to situations as they self-advocate for their sensory needs. Additional follow-up for application to school settings is available for each child as needed. For children ages 7 and older.

When: Session 1: June 14-18, 10-11:30 AM

Session 2: July 12-16, 10-11:30 AM

Cost: \$725 per week

### **ARC OF ANDERSON COUNTY**

728 Emory Valley Road, Ste. 42 (Street)

P.O. Box 4823 (Mailing)

Oak Ridge, TN 37831

Phone: (865) 481-0550

Web: [www.arcaid.org](http://www.arcaid.org)

Camps and/or Summer Programs

### **AUSTIM SOCIETY OF NORTH CAROLINA**

[www.autismsociety-nc.org](http://www.autismsociety-nc.org) Visit website for further information and camp registration.

#### **CAMP ROYALL**

Where: Moncure, NC

Contact: Elsa Berndt (919) 542-1033

What: Overnight camp for individuals with autism ages 4 to adult.

When: June 6- Aug 13 (Different weeks for different ages and functioning levels)

Cost: Based on sliding fee scale. Need-based scholarships are available.

**AYSO VIP SOCCER LEAGUE** - It is a non-competitive, fun league for players with special needs. Contact Suzanne for more information: SanDOliver@aol.com or (865) 521-6251.

#### **BILL RICE RANCH, INC.**

627 Bill Rice Ranch Road, Murfreesboro, TN 37128

Phone(s): (615) 893-2767 or (800) 253-7423

Email: [info@billriceranch.org](mailto:info@billriceranch.org)

Web: [www.billriceranch.org](http://www.billriceranch.org)

Youth who are deaf, ages 12-19 years

Weeklong deaf family camp; six-week summer camp for youth who are deaf.

When: June 13- July 30

#### **CAMP CAREFREE**

[www.campcarefree.org](http://www.campcarefree.org)

Where: Stokesdale, North Carolina.

Contact: 336-427-0966 or 336-427-6099

What: Free, one-week camp sessions for children ages 6-16 with special health problems or for well children with a seriously ill or disabled sibling or parent.

When: June 27- July 31

#### **CAMP CHICKABABA DAY CAMP**

Where: Everett Recreation Center- Maryville TN

[www.parksrec.com](http://www.parksrec.com)

What: Arts/crafts, music, games, swimming, ability appropriate field trips

Ages: Disabled persons 6 years and up

Cost: \$75 per week

When: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. June 28- July 19

### **CAMP CURE –“Diabetes: Mission Possible”**

Where: Karns Recreation Center in Knox County

Contact: East Tennessee Children's Hospital, 865-541-8281

What: Swimming, arts/crafts, sports, games, for children with diabetes

Ages: 5-12 years who have diabetes. Activities include swimming, arts & crafts, sports and educational games/activities to help children learn about living with diabetes.

When: July 12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>, 2010

### **CAMP DISCOVERY**

2440 Vale Ln. Nashville, TN 37214

Phone: 931.268.0239 or 615.293.4497

Email: [director@jayceecamp.org](mailto:director@jayceecamp.org)

Web: [www.jayceecamp.org](http://www.jayceecamp.org)

Weeklong overnight camp sessions throughout the summer with campgrounds.

Where: 400 Camp Discovery Lane Gainesboro, TN 38562

Wheel Chair Accessibility

### **Camp for Children with Epilepsy and Siblings**

June 20-25

Ages: 7-19

Cost: \$350 (Financial assistance available on a first-come, first-served basis.)

Contact Knox Epilepsy (865) 522-4991 for more information and Applications

### **CAMP EAGLE'S NEST**

Where: Camp Wesley Woods in Townsend, TN.

Contact: Children's Hospital (865) 541-8476

What: Patients from Children's Hospital Hematology/Oncology Clinic participate in a one week camp with activities including horseback riding, canoeing, rock climbing, karaoke, etc. Campers interact with camp counselors who are nurses and other clinical staff from Children's Hospital, which provides an opportunity to bond with medical staff outside the hospital.

When: Aug 1st-5<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Cost: No cost

### **CAMP HORIZON**

Where: Bethany Hills Campground, 1080 Bethany Hills Road, Kingston Springs, TN 37082, by American Cancer Society, 800-ACS-2345 or 615-341-7313

### **CAMP HORIZON ONCOLOGY CAMP**

What: Swimming, arts/crafts, games, sports

Ages: 6-17 years for children diagnosed with cancer or have received treatment for cancer in the last five years (do not need to be in active treatment)

Cost: Free

When: June 19-25, 2010

**CAMP HORIZON- SPECIAL AND IMPORTANT BROTHERS AND SISTERS (SIBS)**

What: Swimming, arts, crafts, games, sports

Ages: 5-16 years who are siblings of current or former cancer patients (within 5 years of receiving treatment)

Cost: Free

When: June 26- July 2, 2010

**CAMP KOINONIA**

[www.thecampkoinonia.org](http://www.thecampkoinonia.org)

Where: Clyde M York 4-H Training Center, Crossville, TN

Contact: (865) 974-4363 or (865) 974-1288 for more information or to register for next year's program.

What: Week long residential outdoors education program for children ages 7-22 with multiple disabilities. Visit website for further information about this program and other programs and events offered by Camp Koinonia.

When: Camp usually occurs near the end of March. Dates for 2011 have not been decided.

Cost: \$325. Scholarships available.

**CELEBRATION CAMP**

Where: Camp Wesley Woods, 329 Wesley Woods Road, Townsend, TN 37882, 865-448-2246 or 423-929-9037, Ext. 325

[www.campwesleywoods.com](http://www.campwesleywoods.com)

[www.holstoncamping.com](http://www.holstoncamping.com)

What: Crafts, swimming, canoeing, hiking, cooking out, daily worship

Ages: Mildly or moderately mentally challenged young people ages 10-22, campers should be ambulatory and self-sufficient in caring for personal physical needs.

When: June 4- July 9

Cost: \$385

**CHATTANOOGA PARKS AND RECREATION**

(423) 697-1345

The City of Chattanooga Therapeutic Recreation Division offers various activities for persons with disabilities, including wheelchair tennis, swimming, soccer, rowing, art, dance and music therapy.

### **DONALD M. GALLY SUMMER CAMP**

Where: Kiwanis Club Fresh Air Camp Prosser Road, Knoxville

Contact: East TN Children's Hospital Rehab. Center at (865) 690-8961

What: Adaptive camp experience for boys and girls who have disabilities. Activities include arts & crafts, swimming and games directed by staff therapists, special education teachers and adaptive recreation specialists.

When: July 12-16 for ages 5-11. July 19-23 for ages 12-18; 8:30-3pm each day

Cost: No cost

### **DOWN SYNDROME AWARENESS GROUP**

What: Host family orientated activities such as zoo day and family fun nights.

Contact: (865) 905-2968 or visit <http://www.dsagtn.org> for upcoming events or register to receive newsletter.

### **EASTER SEAL CAMP**

Contact: Leslie Sohl

6300 Benders Ferry Road, Mt. Juliet, TN 37122

Phone(s): (615) 444-2829

Email: [camp@eastersealstn.com](mailto:camp@eastersealstn.com) Web: [www.tn.eastersealstn.com](http://www.tn.eastersealstn.com)

Age: 6 years of age and older

What: 6-Day Summer Camp Experience & Weekend Respite Available

### **EAST TENNESSEE TECHNOLOGY ACCESS CENTER**

<http://www.discoveret.org/ettac/>

Contact: (865) 219-0130

What: The HeartSong Center provides year-round accessible music and art activities to children with disabilities through its programs and those of other organizations in East Tennessee.

### **FIRST STEPS CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

Where: 1350 Oak Ridge Turnpike, Oak Ridge, TN 37830

Contact: (865) 483-6291

What: First Steps operates a Child Development Center providing early intervention and educational services for children with special needs and medical conditions, who have developmental delays, who are medically fragile or who are typically developing. For children ages 6 weeks to 5 years.

When: July 12- July 30 (Part-day program) M,W,F 9-1 PM

Cost: \$140. \$40 Registration Fee. Discount for additional siblings.

### **FIT ONE OF OOLTEWAH**

(423) 238-5999 and <http://www.fitonegym.com>

These programs promote health and fitness for children and teens with special needs.

**Strength and Cardio Training**- Monday- Thursday 3:30 PM- 5:30 PM, \$20 per day

**Spin Classes for Youth with Special Needs**- Tuesday & Thursday 4:45 - 5:30 p.m, \$10 per day

### **FRIENDS DISCOVERY CAMP**

Contact: 423.648.6045 or 423.648.6040 and [www.cdmfun.org](http://www.cdmfun.org),

Where: Creative Discovery Museum in Chattanooga

What: Inclusive summer camp for children with autism and typical peers. Activities include fieldtrips, play in the museum and more. It is a chance to make new friends while learning about diversity and acceptance.

When: July 19-30, 8:30- Noon

Cost: \$130 (due at registration) and includes a museum membership. Ages 7-10

### **JONI AND FRIENDS FAMILY RETREAT**

<http://www.joniandfriends.org>

Where: Clyde York 4-H Center, Crossville, TN

Contact: Juanitia Long at (865) 660-3324

What: This program focuses on extending the Christian ministry to people affected by a disability.

When: Family Retreat is July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010

### **J.O.Y. SCHOOL**

<http://www.firstprescleveland.com/joy.htm>

Where: First Presbyterian of Cleveland, TN.

Contact: Becky Wright at (423) 478-2101

<http://firstprescleveland.com/joy.asp>

What: Non-denominational program for students with cognitive disabilities. Program is for children and adolescents ages 4-21. Activities include physical exercise, music, art and story time at the library, etc. Children from Cleveland and Bradley County, TN are given priority in this program.

When: June 14- July 23

Cost: \$90 per student for the entire summer. Need-based scholarships are available.

### **KNOX METRO TOP SOCCER**

Contact: (865) 966-4622 or (865) 966-5224 (Farragut Christian Church) to register.

What: Soccer league for physically and mentally challenged player of any age. This program is sponsored by the Smoky Mountain Soccer Club and Farragut Christian Church.

When: Spring & Fall Season. Games occur Saturdays from 10-12pm.

Cost: \$35 per player. Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

### **KNOXVILLE ADAPTIVE RECREATION CENTER**

<http://www.ci.knoxville.tn.us/recreation/centers/adaptive.asp>

Where: 2235 Dandridge Ave. Knoxville

Contact: (865) 525-9080

What: Adaptive swimming and gym activities.

### **MANE SUPPORT CAMPS**

<http://www.manesupport.org>

Where: 2919 Davis Ford Road, Maryville, TN (Serves all surrounding counties)

Contact: Kim Henry at 865-414-0557 for additional schedule and cost information

What: Equine-assisted grief counseling, art, recreation, journaling; for children who have experienced the death of someone they know .

### **MDA SUMMER CAMP**

Where: Gainesboro, TN 38562

What: Camp for children ages 6 to 17 who have been diagnosed with one of the neuromuscular diseases covered by the MDA.

When: June 13-19, 2010

Cost: No Cost to children who qualify.

Contact: 865.588.1632 or [ccrawford@mdausa.org](mailto:ccrawford@mdausa.org)

### **PEER PLAY CAMP**

Where: 1225 E. Weisgarber Rd Suite, 180 South Knoxville, TN 37909

Contact: (865) 584-5558

What: Peer Play matches socially-skilled peers with children with social skills deficits for games, cooking, stories, role play and theory of mind activities with a licensed speech-language pathologist. Peer volunteers receive a gift card for participation (Call for an application). For ages 2-12.

When: June 1<sup>st</sup>- July 30. Twice weekly for one hours sessions.

Cost: \$250 per week

### **PROM OF THE STARS**

[www.promofthestars.com](http://www.promofthestars.com)

When: March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Where: Knoxville Exhibition and Convention Center

Contact: Farragut Christian Church (865) 966-5224 or email

Jason@farragutchristianchurch.com

What: Prom for physically and mentally challenged individuals. For individuals ages 15 and older.

Cost: No cost

### **SOCIAL SKILLS FOR TEENS CAMP**

<http://pstcc.edu/>

Where: 10915 Hardin Valley Rd Knoxville, TN 37932

Contact: (865) 694-6405

What: This program guides teen through the rules of etiquette without stressing. In this hour and a half class, teens will socialize with classmates using hands-on training and leave with a renewed sense of confidence. This process will better prepare participants for life's unexpected and awkward situations. Topics covered include (1) dining etiquette at home and out; (2) social settings, banquets, dances, party manners, public speaking; (3) wireless etiquette; and (4) food, dieting, and exercise. For ages 13-18.

When: June 21 & July 12, 12:30- 2 PM

Cost: \$65

### **MIND YOUR MANNERS CAMP**

<http://pstcc.edu/>

Where: 10915 Hardin Valley Rd Knoxville, TN 37932

Contact: (865) 694-6405

What: This program guides children through the rules of etiquette without stressing. In this hour and a half class, children will socialize with classmates using hands-on training and leave with a renewed sense of confidence. This process will better prepare participants for life's unexpected and awkward situations. For ages 7-12..

When: June 21 & July 12, 2:30- 4 PM

Cost: \$65

### **ART LESSONS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS TEENS**

<http://baileyfiberart.com/classes.aspx>

Where: 11501 Parkside Dr. Knoxville, TN 37934

Contact: (865) 719-9525

What: Art & Craft class taught by a professional artist with 25 years experience as an Occupational Therapist. This unique teen class offers your special needs child an

opportunity to explore a variety of art techniques in a small group setting while developing skills in areas such as sensory processing, coordination, perception, attention span, following directions, & decision making.

When: Every Friday from 1 PM-2:30 PM

Where: Gander Mountain in Turkey Creek

Cost: \$15 Per Session

### **SPEECH AND HEARING**

<http://www.speechhearing.com>

Where: 600 North Holtzclaw Avenue, Suite 200 Chattanooga, TN 37404

Contact: (423) 629-5899

### **SUMMER CAMP AND EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR**

What: At the Speech and Hearing's Achieve Learning Center. Provides academic reinforcement, thematic curriculum, sign language classes/songs, educational computer games, recreational games and more!

When: Four weeks in June, a week break, & Four weeks in July

Ages: 18 months- 6 years old

Cost: Negotiated during orientation

### **SPEECH LANGUAGE READING CENTER'S LANGUAGE CAMPS**

<http://www.slrcenter.net/>

Where: 1200 Mtn Creek Rd, Suite 380 Chattanooga, TN

Contact: (423) 877-5042 for further schedule and cost information

Speech and language therapy offered through a summer camp experience and focus on the development of language, articulation, fluency reading and/or writing.

### **STAR ADAPTIVE HORSEBACK RIDING**

<http://www.rideatstar.org>

Where: 11800 Highway 11E Lenoir City, TN 37772

Contact: Lynn Petr at (865) 988-4711

What: This program offers therapeutic riding designed to meet the specific needs of each participant. The prescribed program may include grooming, saddling, and learning riding skills or may be passive in nature. With some riders we position them so the movement of the horse can relax tight muscles, increase range of motion, improve trunk stability, and balance.

When: 8-week summer session from June 14- Aug. 13, 2010

### **THE TENNESSEE CAMP FOR DIABETIC CHILDREN**

<http://www.tncdc.org>

Where: 2622 Lee Pike Soddy, TN 37379

Contact: (615) 804-3399

What: The Tennessee Camp for Diabetic Children (TCDC) is committed to teaching children with Type 1 insulin dependent diabetes how to live a normal and active lifestyle. Activities include swimming at the pool, horseback riding, mountain biking, archery, arts and crafts, canoeing on Lake Chickamauga and camp wide games. TCDC incorporates educational sessions into daily activities by providing fun learning programs geared toward juvenile diabetes management. Using games, hands-on assistance, and videos, campers learn procedures and techniques to use daily for achieving glucose control. TCDC is a two-week residential camp. For ages 9-15.

When: July 11-24

Cost: \$650- Covers meals, insulin, blood testing, and other necessities

### **TENNESSEE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF**

Where: TN School for the Deaf, Knoxville, TN

Contact: Steve Farmer at 865-579-2425 (V/TDD) or visit [www.tsdeaf.org](http://www.tsdeaf.org)

What: Recreational summer camps for hard of hearing and deaf students and students with special needs. Various activities include hiking, games, swimming, etc.

When: July 11-16 Junior Camp (5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students)

July 18-23 Senior Camp (9<sup>th</sup>-12 grade students)

July 18-23 Camp Courage (Deaf/Hard of hearing student with one or more disabilities. Students entering grades 7-12 are accepted.

Cost: \$75, Scholarships available if requested

### **TRAK CAMP**

[www.parent-childservices.com](http://www.parent-childservices.com)

Where: 3716 West Emory Rd. Knoxville, TN 37931

Contact: (865) 584-5558

What: Therapeutic riding for enhancing language, social, sensory, motor skills, in conjunction with Therapeutic Riding Academy of Knoxville. For ages 2-18.

Fee: \$840 per 6-week session

When: Session 1: Tuesdays or Thursdays - May 24- July 2

Session 2: Tuesdays or Thursdays - July 5- Aug 13

### **TRI-STATE THERAPEUTIC RIDING CENTER**

<http://tristatereinbowriders.com>

Where: Tri State Exhibition Center in Cleveland, TN

Contact: (423) 339-2517 or email at [rainbowriders@gmail.com](mailto:rainbowriders@gmail.com)

What: TSTRC is dedicated to providing therapeutic horseback riding activities for individuals who are physically, mentally, or emotionally challenged ages 2 and older. Participants learn riding skills, receive therapy, and enjoy the freedom of movement on horseback. Therapy incorporates activities that will help develop motor skills, improve balance, coordination, and muscle control. In addition, students show

marked improvement in self-confidence and social skills Tri-State serves individuals in Hamilton, Bradley, Polk and Whitfield Counties.

**TRIAD -TREATMENT AND RESEARCH INSTITUTION FOR AUTISM  
SPECTRUM DISORDER- CAMP**

<http://kc.vanderbilt.edu/triad/services/page.aspx?id=12>

Where: Vanderbilt Kennedy Center, Nashville, TN

Contact: [autsimclinic@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:autsimclinic@vanderbilt.edu) or 615-322-7565

What: Social Skills Summer Camps and programs.

When: Campers from 7-11 years- Monday June 7th through Friday June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Campers from 12-21 years- Monday June 7<sup>th</sup>- Friday June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010

**YMCA OF EAST TENNESSEE**

<http://www.ymcaknoxville.org/pages/childsummer.php>

Where: Branches are located throughout Knoxville, TN

What: Day camp for children in kindergarten through age 13 with all abilities.

Activities include art & crafts, swimming, field trips and character building stories and games.

Camps run from Tuesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010

**YWCA KNOXVILLE CAMP**

<http://www.ywca.com/ywca.asp?id=17>

Where: Phyllis Wheatley Center, Knoxville, TN

Contact: 865-546-0651

What: 12-week day camp for children ages 6-13 with all abilities

When: May 24- Aug 13, 2010- 7:30am-5pm each day

Cost: \$75 per week with a \$60 enrollment fee (includes activities, t-shirt, etc).

\$65 for second child. Includes the cost of all fieldtrips.

**YAP (YOUTH ACTIVITIES PROGRAM) SUMMER CAMP**

Sponsored by Amputee Coalition of America

[http://www.amputee-coalition.org/youth\\_camp.html](http://www.amputee-coalition.org/youth_camp.html)

Where: Joy Outdoor Education Center in Clarksville, Ohio.

Contact: (888) 267-5669 ext 8130 or email [yapinfo@amputee-coalition.org](mailto:yapinfo@amputee-coalition.org)

What: Program that provides fun and exciting sports, recreation and social activities for campers.

When: July 24-28, 2010

Cost: No cost

### **CAMP ZOO-ABILITY**

Contact: Elaine Adams at 697-1385 or Lizzy Hockinson at 643-5716

What: Summer camp at Chattanooga Zoo with the City of Chattanooga Therapeutic Recreation Department. It is a camp designed for special needs children and their siblings. It is a typical summer camp experience offering: swimming, art-n-crafts, games, special guests, behind the scenes with the animals at the Zoo and so much more! The camp is between the hours of 9:00 - 2:00. It is a great week that allows individuals with disabilities to have fun and expand social networks in a safe environment.

When: Camp 1: ages 21 and up May 24-28, 2010

Camp 2: ages 6—12 June 28—July 2, 2010

Camp 3: ages 13—20 July 12—16, 2010

Cost: \$75. Need-based scholarships are available.

### **CELIAC CAMP**

Where: Camp Wesley Woods- Townsend, TN 37882

What: Camp for children with Celiac Disease and gluten intolerance.

When: July 18-23 for 6-12 graders; July 21- 23 for 2-5 graders

Cost: \$345 for 6-12 graders, \$180 for 2-5 graders

Contact: 423.929.9037

### **AUTISM SOCIAL SKILLS CAMP**

Where: Open Doors Tennessee- Townsend 37882

What: Canoeing, rock climbing wall, horseback riding, archery, swimming & hiking for grades 6-12.

When: June 11-13

Cost: \$150

Contact: 865.548.6963 or [Cah37849@aol.com](mailto:Cah37849@aol.com)

### **AUTISM SOCIAL SKILLS CAMP**

Where: Open Doors Tennessee- Townsend 37882

What: Social Skills for Autistic children through peer training- Ages K-5<sup>th</sup> grade.

When: July 19-23

Cost: \$150

Contact: 865.548.6963 or [Cah37849@aol.com](mailto:Cah37849@aol.com)

### **STUDY SKILLS CAMP**

Where: Parent- Child Services Group- Knoxville 37919

What: Learn organizational skills of time management and study space planning, active reading, note-taking, outline and study guide construction

When: July 12-16 (Session 1), Aug 2-6 (Session 2); Both Sessions are from 1-3 PM

Cost: \$350 per session

Contact: 865.584.5558

### **FAST FOR-WORD CAMP**

Where: Parent- Child Services Group- Knoxville 37919

What: Advanced computer technology including language/auditory, sensory, and motor activities.

When: Sessions from May 24- Aug. 13- 1 session is 6 weeks, 5 days a week, 2 hours per day

Cost:\$ 1998

Contact: 865.584.5558

### **PEER PLAY CAMP**

Where: Parent- Child Services Group- Knoxville 37919

What: Matches socially- skilled peers with children with social skills deficits for games, cooking, stories, role playing and theory of mind activities with speech pathologist. Ages 2-12 years.

When: June 11-14 (Session 1) July 12-16 (Session 2)

Cost: \$725 for one week

Contact: 865.584.5558

### **PALS CAMP- PLAYING AND LEARNING SOCIAL SKILLS CAMP**

Where: Parent- Child Services Group- Knoxville 37919

What: Joins principles of behavior with social language to teach children with autism (or social skill deficits due to other diagnoses) how to play and communicate with peers.

When: June 7- July 2 or July 5- July 30; Twice weekly for 4 weeks

Cost: \$600

Contact: 865.584.5558